

IN THE CLAIMS:

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(Twice Amended) A method for controlling user interaction in a hand-held digital camera, the hand-held digital camera having [a] an integrated display, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) storing a directed image capture sequence comprising a set of program instructions in the hand-held digital camera;
- b) executing the directed image capture sequence in the hand-held digital camera to display interactive instructions on the integrated display that prompt the user to perform [specific operations] a first operation; and
- c) in response to the user performing the [specific operations] the first operation, automatically updating the interactive instructions to prompt the user to perform a second operation, thereby minimizing the number of key sequences the user must memorize in order to perform the operations [thereby guiding the user through a series of related image captures].

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2 (Once Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein step a) further includes the step of providing the directed image capture sequence by externally loading the program instructions into the hand-held digital camera [digital imaging device].

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7. (Twice Amended) A method for directing image capture sequences in a hand-held digital camera having [a] integrated display, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) externally loading a script comprising program commands into the hand-held

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digital camera;

- b) displaying the script as a menu item for selection by a user;
- c) in response to the user selecting the script menu item from the menu, passing operational control from the hand-held digital camera to a script interpreter;
- d) interpreting and executing each of the script commands, wherein a first plurality of the script commands are for displaying interactive instructions on the integrated display requesting the user to perform specific camera operations[, thereby] for guiding the user through a series of image captures;
- e) passing operational control from the script interpreter to the hand-held digital camera after the script has requested the user to capture an image; [and]
- f) allowing the user to capture the image; and
- g) repeating steps d-[f]g until the script completes execution.

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8. (Once Amended) The method of claim 7 wherein step a) further includes the step of loading the script into the hand-held digital camera [digital imaging device] from a removable memory.

9. (Once Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein step [e] f) further includes the step of passing operational control from the hand-held digital camera [digital imaging device] to the script after the user has captured the image.

10. (Once Amended) The method of claim 9 wherein step [f] g) further includes the

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11. (Twice Amended) A hand-held digital camera comprising:

an imaging device for capturing image data;

a memory coupled to the camera for storing the image data as captured images;

[a] an integrated display for displaying a captured image;

means for loading an external script comprising program commands into the memory;

and

a processor coupled to the camera and to the memory for controlling operation of the digital camera, the processor including means for interpreting and executing each of the script commands, wherein when the script commands are executed, interactive instructions are displayed on the integrated display requesting the user to perform specific camera operations, the processor including means for waiting on the user to perform the specific camera operations before displaying additional interactive instructions, thereby guiding the user through a series of related image captures.

Please add the following new claims

14 A method for controlling user interaction in a hand-held digital camera having an integrated display, the method comprising the steps of:

a) providing the hand-held digital camera with a directed image capture sequence comprising a set of program instructions for guiding a user through a series of

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- related image captures;
 - b) executing the directed image capture sequence in the hand-held digital camera such that a first interactive instruction is displayed on the integrated display prompting the user to capture a first image; and
 - c) waiting for the user to capture the first image;
 - d) in response to the user capturing the first image, displaying a second interactive instruction prompting the user to capture a second image; and
 - e) storing the images as a related group of images.

15 A method as in claim 14 wherein step e) further includes the steps of:

- i) prompting the user to enter information regarding the first and second images, and
- ii) storing the information with the related group of images.